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SUBJECT: US-CANADIAN FISHING AGREEMENT: PRESS COMMENT

1. NOVA SCOTIA DEPUTY FISHERIES MINISTER JOHN MULLALLY IS QUOTED IN 1/31/77 ISSUE OF HALIFAX "CHRONICLE-HERALD" AS BEING "SOMEWHAT DISAPPOINTED" WITH RESULTS OF RECENTLY-CONCLUDED USG-GOC FISHERIES NEGOTIATIONS IN LOS ANGELES. IN PHONE INTERVIEW WITH NEWSPAPER, FEDERAL FISHERIES MINISTER ROMEO LE BLANC SAID HE WAS "A LITTLE DISAPPOINTED MYSELF" BUT WENT ON TO SAY HE HAD NOT YET BEEN FULLY BRIEFED ON OUTCOME OF NEGOTIATIONS.

2. I DISCUSSED NEWSPAPER ARTICLE ON PHONE WITH MULLALLY TO DETERMINE WHETHER IT ESSENTIALLY ACCURATE. HE CONFIRMED ACCURACY AND WENT ON TO TELL ME THAT HE HAD LEFT LOS ANGELES WITH FOLLOWING UNDERSTANDING:

A) THAT SHORT-TERM AGREEMENT PERMITTING RECIPROCAL FISHING RIGHTS OFF EACH OTHER'S COASTS DURING 1977 COULD NOT BE REACHED BUT THAT ICNAF TAC'S WOULD BE ADHERED TO BY BOTH PARTIES:

B) THAT HE WAS SLIGHTLY FUZZY IN HIS UNDERSTANDING OF WHERE THE NEGOTIATORS LEFT QUESTION OF FISHING LIMITS IN GULF OF MAINE BY CANADIAN ANJZUS FISHERMEN BUT THAT HE

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THOUGHT THAT THERE WAS MEETING OF MINDS THAT CANADIAN FISHERMEN WOULD NOT FISH SOUTH OF CANADA'S EQUIDISTANT LINE AND THAT US FISHERMEN WOULD NOT FISH NORTH OF US LINE DRAWN THRU FUNDY CHANNEL. THERE WOULD THUS BE AN OVERLAPPING AREA IN WHICH FISHERMEN OF BOTH COUNTRIES WOULD OPERATE: AND

C) THAT HE EXPECTED SOME SORT OF REOPENING OF

NEGOTIATIONS AT A HIGH LEVEL, POSSIBLY WITHIN DAYS OR AT
LEAST NOT MORE THAN A FEW WEEKS FROM NOW, TO THRASH OUT
A SHORT-TERM AGREEMENT.
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